



General Assembly

February Session, 2000

***Raised Bill No. 5750***

LCO No. 1790

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:  
(ET)

***An Act Concerning Oil Supply Shortages.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 16a-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the following  
2 is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) Any person engaged in the business of selling petroleum  
4 products, as defined in section 16a-22c, on a wholesale basis who has  
5 sufficient [advance] knowledge of an impending shortage in the  
6 availability of petroleum products, as defined in section 16a-22c, or  
7 any officer or manager of a firm or corporation engaged in such  
8 business who has such [advance] knowledge, shall cause to be given  
9 immediate written notice [at least thirty days in advance] of any  
10 possible inability as a result of such shortage to deliver petroleum  
11 products, as defined in section 16a-22c, to [a] the Secretary of the Office  
12 of Policy and Management and to each retail oil dealer engaged in the  
13 business of supplying petroleum products, as defined in section 16a-  
14 22c, for residential heating that such person, firm or corporation  
15 customarily supplies with petroleum products, as defined in section  
16 16a-22c, on a wholesale basis. No such person engaged in the business  
17 of selling petroleum products, as defined in section 16a-22c, on a

18 wholesale basis and no such officer or manager shall discriminate, in  
19 the percentage of supplies delivered, against independent retail oil  
20 dealers in favor of dealers affiliated with such supplier.

21 (b) Any person engaged in the business of distributing or selling  
22 petroleum products, as defined in section 16a-22c, on a wholesale basis  
23 who intends to terminate the supply of petroleum products, as defined  
24 in section 16a-22c, to a retail dealer shall give written notice at least  
25 fourteen days in advance of such termination to the retail dealer, the  
26 municipality or municipalities in which the retail dealer distributes  
27 and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management concerning  
28 such proposed termination of supply.

29 [(c) Any person, firm or corporation who violates the provisions of  
30 this section shall be fined five hundred dollars for each violation.]

31 (c) Any violation of this section shall be deemed an unfair or  
32 deceptive trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b.

***ET Committee Vote:*** Yea 16 Nay 0 JF C/R JUD

***JUD Committee Vote:*** Yea 40 Nay 0 JF

***GL Committee Vote:*** Yea 13 Nay 0 JF